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Long Beach Man Sentenced in CSUN Student's Murder

A Long Beach man was sentenced today to life in state prison without the possibility of parole for fatally stabbing a Cal State Northridge student over the sale of his car, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Agustin Rosendo Fernandez, 30, was found guilty in June of the first-degree murder of Abdullah Alkadi, 23. The jury also found true the special circumstances of murder during a robbery and murder during a carjacking and a special allegation of personal use of a deadly weapon, a knife.

Deputy District Attorney Cynthia Barnes with the Major Crimes Division prosecuted the case.

Fernandez responded to Alkadi's online ad to sell his Audi A5 convertible and the two met in Northridge on Sept. 17, 2014. Barnes said Fernandez stabbed the engineering student to death that same day so he could keep both the \$35,000 car and the money. Alkadi's body was discovered about a month later in the desert off the 10 Freeway in Indio, the prosecutor said.

Alkadi's car was later found parked at the defendant's apartment in the 6800 block of Long Beach Boulevard.

Case PAo82271 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department's Robbery-Homicide Division.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.